Report of Accomplishments
Fiscal Year 2005
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Function or Conservation District Mission

Blackfoot, Id 83221

To coordinate technical, financial, and educational assistance for responsible natural resources management that conserves and improves air, soil and water quality and fish and wildlife habitat.

Natural Resource Improvements Summary

- Assisted 9 landowners in NRCS EQIP projects, and 1 CCRP project.
- ➤ Total conservation acres planned 16,763 and 21,863 applied acres in Bingham County.
- ➤ Assisted in establishing 15,986 ft of windbreak/ shelterbelts in Bingham County.
- ➤ More than 5 miles of fence established to promote stream bank stabilization.
- ➤ 416 acres of flood irrigation converted to sprinkler.



Conservation District Priority #1 Woodland

- Continued the "tree sale" program to provide a variety of trees at a reduced rate to individuals wishing to plant windbreaks and shelterbelts.
- ➤ Provided information in the newsletters to the public on the benefits of planting a windbreak.
- ➤ Made available to the public information on controlling weeds, mice and voles in addition to planting instruction to establish a windbreak.

Conservation District Priority #2 Pastureland and Hay

- ➤ Helped maintain and promote the grass test plot established in 2002.
- ➤ Continue to attend seminars on best management practices for cattle and rangeland.

Conservation District Priority #3 Irrigated Cropland

➤ Gave assistance to 6 landowners to convert from surface irrigation to sprinkler irrigation to enable them to better manage soil moisture and optimize available water supplies. Other benefits were reduced irrigation induced soil erosion, reduced surface and ground water pollution, and manage the air, soil, and plant microclimate.

Information & Education/ Public Outreach

- ➤ Published two newsletters a year containing information on new conservation practices, and NRCS programs.
- Mailed flier on the availability of a no-till drill.

Community Collaboration & Coordination

- ➤ Supported the Three Rivers RC&D with dues.
- Supported NACD with dues.
- > Supported IASCD with dues.
- ➤ Supported the FFA / 4H Land Judging Contest.
- > Supported IDEA with dues.
- > Sponsored 2 youth to attend the 4H Teen Conference.
- Supported 3 students to map and learn about weeds and ways to control them for the summer of 05.

Synopsis of Assistance Coordinated for Constituents with Conservation Partners - to plan, design and implement best management practices to protect, enhance, and conserve Idaho's renewable natural resources.

Source	Purpose/Benefit	Funded Amount
County/City	District Operations	\$ 3,000.00
State	District Operations	\$ 8,787.55
Tree Sale	District Operations	\$10,000.00

Idaho Conservation Districts assisting landowners & operators with their conservation choices

